(c) No tidal power projects for coastal places other than the Gulf of Kutch are presently under consideration.

(d) According to the information available with the Central Electricity Authority the following tidal power projects are reported to be presently operating successfully in other countries :-

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| **1.** | **La-Rance (France) , 24x10 MW** | **Commissioned in 1966** |
| **2.** | **KislayaGuba (USSR) (Experimental) 400 KW** | **Commissioned in 1968** |
| **3.** | **Jiang Kia (China) . . 3000 KW** | **Commissioned in 1980** |
| **4.** | **Annapolis Royal Pilot Project (Canada).....20 MW J** | **Commissioned in 1984** |

Installation of ISI marked pump-sets under 'Jaldhara Scheme'

756. SHRIATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1899 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th March, 1989 and Unstarred Question 1380 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 31st July, 1989 and to state :

(a) what is the date on which Jaldhara Scheme was announced and with what objectives ;

(b) whether 50,000 ISI marked, energy efficient electric pump-sets were to be installed and working in 1988-89 to achieve the objectives and, if so, what is the number of pump-sets actually energised so far and working satisfactorily;

(c) whether electricity is being provided to run these pump-sets as and when required;

(d) what is the number of marginal and poor farmers in the drought-prone areas who have been benefitted from this 'Jaldhara' Scheme, Statewise; and

(e) what is the total expenditure incurred on this Scheme so far ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) The Jaldhara scheme was announced at the time of presentation of Centra] Budget for 1988-89. The scheme was formally notified in the month of January, 1989 and actual implementation could be taken up only during the current financial year. The objective of the scheme was to assist the marginal farmers in the drought-prone areas to acquire electric pump-sets for irrigation purposes through a combination of grants and loan.

(b) and (d) Yes, Sir. 2016 pump-sets have been energised upto end of January,1190. State-wise position is as under :—

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| Andhra Pradesh . | 787 |
| Orissa . . | 1239 |

(c) As reported by the concerned SEBs, power supply is being made available for operation of pumpsets installed under the scheme.

(e) Upto January, 1990, an amount of about Rs. 6-03 crores has been disbursed by the Rural Electrification Corporation against the scheme as advance to five States (Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and West Ben gal).